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Application No.: 10/651,586

Group Art Unit: 2182

Filed: 08/29/2003

Examiner: Knapp, J. R.

Title: PORTABLE ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENT WITH FIELD-REPLACEABLE BATTERY/ INPUT/OUTPUT MODULE

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action for the above identified patent application.  
( ..... sheets)

Transmitted herewith are ..... sheets of substitute formal drawings.

Other: .....

2. Applicant is other than a small entity

Extension of Term

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(a)  Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

<u>Extension</u>	<u>Fee</u>
[ ] one month	\$120.00
[ ] two months	\$450.00
[ ] three months	\$1,020.00
[ ] four months	\$1,590.00

Fee \$

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(b)  Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

**Fee Calculation**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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Fee Items	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number of Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra Claims	Fee Rate	Total
Total Claims	20	- 20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	- 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee (one or more, first added by this amendment)				\$360.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Fees</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>

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Re Application of: )  
York, Dennis ) Examiner: Knapp, J.  
Serial No.: 10/651,586 ) Art Unit: 2182  
Filed: 08/29/2003 )  
For: Portable Electronic Instrument )  
With Field-Replaceable Battery/ )  
Input/Output Module )  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.